

Parish Church, Bolton-le -Moors





17th March 2019

2nd Sunday of Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

At a major conference in the USA, an elderly Pentecostal Statesman, Dr Lockeridge, was invited to come to the platform and speak to the crowd to open the proceedings. What was he going to say, having been thrust into this situation, without any time to prepare?

Without any notes; Dr Lockeridge proclaimed one of the most eloquent and heart-felt description of Jesus His King, the world has ever heard. Repeatedly Dr Lockeridge challenged the crowd about Jesus "That's my king, do you know him?"

Paul in Philippians 4 v 1 encourages us to 'Stand firm in the Lord'. May we share the same boldness as Dr Lockeridge as we stand firm in Jesus and live for Him as our King during this time of Lent.

Thank you for your welcome and the wonderful lunch last week on my first Sunday at St Bede's and it's great to be with you again this morning.

Today's Service

This week is Holy Communion & Groups Readings are: Philippians 3 vs. 7 4 vs 1 & Luke 13 vs. 13 – end

Next week is Together for God Readings are: I Corinthians 10 vs. 1-13 & Luke 13 vs. 1 – 9

Today's Collect

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following his way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord



Please pray...

Jean Marlene

Michael

Doreen

Minti

Ronnie Carys

Rachel

John

Johanna

John

Norma & David

Bernard

Edward

Lynn

Andrew

Will

Barbara

Wendy

Yasmin

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We come before you, O Lord, with nothing except the gift of our hearts in prayer. Hear us and bring us your peace.









St Bede Charity Partner 2019;



News...

<u>LAMB MISSION PARTNERSHIP - WINE</u> <u>TASTING EVENT</u>

Thursday 16th May, 7:30pm, Lostock Church Centre - Octagon Lounge

We have re-arranged the Wine Tasting event that was due to be held during our mission week last year.

To book a ticket please email missionpartnership@gmail.com or contact Deane Church Office on 01204 659637.

If you bought a ticket for the event last year and we haven't refunded you for that, then please let us know whether you'd like to come along to this re-arranged event. If you can't make the date then we will refund your money to you!

ELECTORAL FORMS & GDPR FORMS

This year we need to revise our electoral roll. This means that if you consider yourself a member of St Bede Church, then you need to fill in an electoral roll form. This year you need to fill an electoral form in even if you are currently on the electoral roll. Please could you pick up an electoral roll form today and fill it in. Electoral roll forms need to be returned by Sunday 25th March at the latest.

Only members of the new electoral roll will be able to vote at our forthcoming Annual Parochial Parish Meeting (APCM) on Sunday 7th April. We are also asking people to also fill in the GDPR forms. This is so that we can keep you informed with what is happening here at St Bede. Both electoral roll forms and GDPR forms should be returned to our parish administrator, Elaine Almond.

BISHOP OF BOLTON VISIT

Bishop Mark will be visiting St Bede Primary Academy on Monday 25th March 2019. He will be leading the school assembly, then taking a tour of the school

FORTY DAYS - FORTY ITEMS

Wednesday 6th March is the 1st day of Lent. I have a challenge for you! Each day of Lent remove one item from your wardrobe that you no longer wear or need and place it into a black bin liner. At the end of forty days, bring these to Church and we will arrange to donate them to help someone that will really need them. Black bin liners are at the back of Church – please take one. St Andrews are joining with us with this challenge!



MAUNDY THURSDAY AGAPE MEAL AT ST ANDREWS

Thursday 18 April at 7.00 pm. Cost £4 per head. 2 courses (vegetarian option available)

Please let Kath Carrodous know if you would like to attend, together with your £4.



LENTEN FILM BOX FUND RAISER

for the duration of Lent, Freda & Rodney are once again asking you to take a film box from the back of Church and fill it with 5op coins. Children can join in and put 2op coins in one.

It is a good fundraiser and half the proceeds go to Unique – our Charity Partner for 2019. Before Easter Day (21st April) please give the filled boxes to either Freda or Rodney and perhaps take another!

Thank you

Our Church depends very heavily on fundraising as well as regular giving to keep our Church afloat. We work very hard to put on different events, but we need these events to be supported if they are to be successful in raising funds and providing opportunities to share fellowship as a Church.

DIOCESAN NEWS - ASHES TO GO

06 MARCH 2019

Clergy took to the streets of Bury to offer 'Ashes to Go' and a blessing to passers by to mark the start of Lent.

The Archdeacon of Bolton, the Ven Jean Burgess said, "For me it's about taking belief and belonging outside the church walls and giving people an opportunity to be prayed for and to receive the sign of the cross as part of their preparation for Lent and moving towards Easter."

The Bishop of Bolton, The Rt Revd Mark Ashcroft, said, "We've had an amazing time giving ashes to people. For many people as they've been ashed there's been a sense of the presence of God with them and they've really appreciated this moment to reflect on their lives and on the meaning of Lent."



As you have received, so may you be pleased to give.

St Bede's is a living Church and its people are The Church. The Church's only financial support is its own Church family.

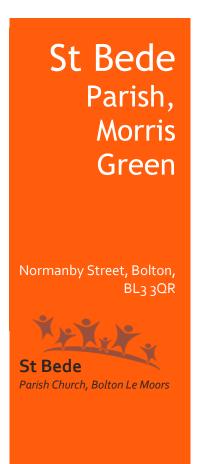
Please try to support the social and fundraising events as they are vital not only to the financial wellbeing of our Church, but are great opportunities to get to know one another better.

Your Church thanks you for your gifts of money, time and talents.



JUBILEE AND COMMUNITY ROOMS

The Community Room and the Jubilee room are available to hire for parties, meetings etc. Please see one of the Church Wardens, Gill or Jean



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OUR NEXT EVENT...

Easter Egg Bingo – Friday 5th April 2019 – 7pm in the Community Room

Lots of prizes up for grabs

Adults ± 5.00 Children ± 3.00 – Ticket includes 6 games of bingo. Tickets are now available from Sharron and window posters are available from Freda. Places are limited so get your ticket today!





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Quiz Night – with a difference! - Friday 10th or 17th May 2019 – Venue & date TBC

Ladies Fashion Show – details to follow soon!

